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Today, Dusty, Harry and I had a deferral update/roll out coordination call with NDEP (Greg and Jeff).

NDEP and Region 9 are on the same page regarding our preferred approach to roll out the deferral. NDEP would like additional to roll it out and communicate with stakeholders before the deferral is announced. More specifically, NDEP indicated that before a public announcement is made they would like to:

1. Respond to our letter indicating how they believe NDEP and ARC's IAOC meets EPA's deferral criteria;
2. Host another stakeholders roundtable to explain how things would work under deferral;
3. Resolve an issue on the IAOC with ARC regarding insurance that recently came up.

Greg suggested that there is a better chance of local stakeholders echoing NV messages in press coverage of the deferral if there is time for a little more prep. Greg's preference is to have about 3 weeks roll out timeline similar to the one below.

He has provided that input to Gov Sandoval's office and is waiting to hear back from them. We committed to continue exchanging information as it trickles down. Please let me know if you would like to discuss further.

Thanks,

Angeles

## ***Accelerated Timeline***

**(Day = working day)**

**Day 0. START** – when EPA & NDEP reach agreement on deferral documents (DA, iAOC).

**Day 1.** - Contact tribal environmental coordinators, city/county, congressionals to arrange meetings/calls to be held ASAP.

- Schedule briefing for Enrique.
- Initiate drafting press release, key messages/talking points.
- Prepare Enrique briefing.

**Day 5-10 (or sooner).** - Meet/calls with tribes, city/county, congressionals.

**DAYS 10-20.** - Period of Consideration (time for tribes to consider MOU).

- Circulate draft press release for comment, key messages/talking points for updates.

**DAY 20.** - Finalize press release, key messages/talking points.

**DAY 21.** - Sign Deferral Agreement.

- Issue press release.

**DAY 22.** - Call/email stakeholders.

- Contact NDEP about public meeting/availability session, initiate planning for such.